

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 1, 2 and 6 have been canceled. Claims 3 – 5, 7, 8 and 10 have been amended and Claim 9 has been retained in its original form leaving claim 3 – 5 and 7 – 10 for consideration.

**Claim Rejection 35 USC § 112**

Claims 4 – 6 and 8 – 10 were rejected as being indefinite. Claim 6 has been canceled. Claims 4, 5, 8 and 10 specifically mentioned by the Examiner have been amended to provide clear antecedent basis and are now definite.

Of these claims 4 and 8 were indicated as being allowable if properly amended to include the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Such amendments have been made.

**Claim Rejection 35 USC § 103**

Claims 1, 2 and 6 which were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) have been canceled and the remaining claims 4, 5 and 7 – 10 have been made dependent directly or indirectly from allowable claim 3. This makes the question of obviousness moot and the claims are allowable.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

Claims 3, 7 and 9 were objected to as depending from a rejected base claim. Claim 3 has been amended to place it in independent form and the remaining claims are directly or indirectly dependent therefrom.

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Claim 3 and claims 4, 5 and 7 – 10 are in condition for allowance and favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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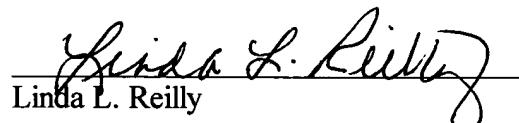
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